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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/16/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 03/16/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/16/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 03/16/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 03/16/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 03/16/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 03/16/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/16/2005
- Substitute Specification filed on 03/16/2005
- Assignment filed on 03/16/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 03/16/2005
- Power of Attorney filed on 03/16/2005

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. The current translation of the application into English is defective as described below. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
  - The text in the drawings has not been properly translated.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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